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**PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS:**  
**KEENE MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FEDERAL FIREARMS CHARGES**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Robert E. Rogers II, age, 26, of Keene, New Hampshire, has pleaded guilty to being a Felon in Possession of an Unregistered Sawed Off Shotgun.

Chief Judge Steven McAuliffe ordered a sentencing hearing to be held on August 29, 2006. The defendant faces a maximum sentence of 10 years and a \$250,000 fine on each count. He is being detained.

The defendant was arrested on August 17, 2005, after he was found driving an automobile with a sawed off shotgun and ammunition in it. He had been convicted in 1998 in Hillsborough County Superior Court of Robbery and had served a state prison sentence.

The case was investigated by the Keene Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives with the assistance of the Cheshire County Attorney's Office.

United States Attorney Colantuono thanked Cheshire County Attorney William M. Albrecht IV, Keene Police Department Chief Arthur J. Walker and Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Glenn Anderson for their department's cooperation and assistance in the investigation and prosecution of this case.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Clyde Garrigan, who is the coordinator for Project Safe Neighborhoods. Project Safe Neighborhoods is a federal program to reduce gun violence in New Hampshire by aggressive investigation and prosecution of firearm offenders, education of the public and training of law enforcement officers about federal firearm laws.

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United States Attorney Colantuono reminds the public that an indictment merely alleges that a crime has been committed and that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.